

Allowable Subject Matter

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Applicants have claimed a foam control composition according to present claim 1. While siloxane compounds and glycerol esters are known in the art for reducing foam, the prior art does not teach the specific six ingredients presently claimed in the specific proportions of the present application. It would not have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to select the specific polydiorganosiloxane fluid in combination with the specific mixture of glycerol esters presently claimed absent the teachings of the present application. Accordingly the present claims are allowable.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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